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Re Review of Proposed Activities at the Rocky Flats Superfund Site in Colorado

Dear Mr Carey

On November 30 1992 Richard J Schassburger of the Department of Energy sent you a letter requesting information from you concerning the correct procedure for authorization pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act EPA received, via telefax transmission from DOE a copy of this letter and the referenced original correspondence

We have reviewed the proposed work described in the letter from DOE and we have reviewed the plans for CERCLA remedial studies and actions at the plant. After review of these data we have determined the following surface water monitoring stations are actions included in the remedial studies required by CERCLA Stations 001 002 023, 029 107 and 127 Consequently these projects will require authorization by the EPA s Waste Management Division through the authority of CERCLA. The remaining surface water monitoring station (004) and the other proposed activities require authorization by the Corps of Engineers.

For EPA to authorize these CERCLA projects, compliance with the substantive requirements of applicable regulations and requirements is required. A determination of compliance requires the implementation of mitigation to offset environmental impacts of the proposed work. In an effort to offset the impacts to the environmental resources of the area to remain consistent with the requirements imposed by EPA in the past, and for consistency with the anticipated requirements for authorization of the work required at Stations 001 002 023 029 107 and 127 EPA requests the Corps of Engineers take the necessary steps to require appropriate mitigation for impacts to wetlands and other waters of the United States associated with DOE implementation of the non CERCLA projects

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EPA would of course be willing to participate in discussions with the Corps and the applicant to insure appropriate mitigation is developed for impacts relating to these non CERCLA projects If our participation would be beneficial please contact me at 293 1583 If you have any questions If you have any questions concerning the information in this letter of if any additional information would benefit the Corps please notify me

We look forward to working with the Corps to insure timely authorization of activities at the Rocky Flats Superfund Site and to protect the environment

Sincerely

Bradley Miller

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